

Told of the Notables.

Col. Vignal, military attaché of the French embassy, has now been joined by his wife and for the present they will make their home at The Highlands.

The return of Col. and Mme. Vignal to Washington after an absence of some ten or twelve years is a subject of congratulation in society, where they were such general favorites when attached to the embassy in former years. At that time the distinguished colonel was a captain and with his unusually accomplished wife kept house in the West End, where their home was a veritable treasure trove.

Both Col. and Mme. Vignal are great travelers and connoisseurs, and into their home they had gathered about them such a rare and costly collection as is seldom seen outside of a museum. Especially fond of carvings, they had gathered furniture of all descriptions from literally every quarter of the globe. Not a country in Europe, but was represented, and for some of their rarer carved furniture they had gathered bits from China, Japan and India. From French Morocco they had brought hangings and from every part of the orient were jades, crystals, embroideries, bronzes and armor, as well as paintings that might well be coveted even by the Metropolitan Museum of New York, which is the equally fortunate in magnificent bequests of such nature.

Mme. Bakhmeteff, wife of the Russian ambassador, possesses two of the most unique necklaces in this country, and it is no exaggeration to state that no crowned head in the universe possesses a more magnificent and unusual necklace than that which, because of its value, has to be kept in a strong box at the bank and is only worn when there are several plain clothes men about to insure its safety.

This is a yard—yes, literally a yard—of uncut emeralds finished at either end with rope ends of the largest uncut emeralds possessed outside of the royal collection of Russia. Such stones they are as Washington has never before seen and is never likely again to behold on any private individual. As a matter of fact, Washington seldom does see this yard of uncut emeralds, as both because of their rarity and value added to their unusual weight, Mme. Bakhmeteff is usually loath to wear them.

The only other instance in which plain clothes men were necessary to guard a magnificent collection of jewels on any one individual at Washington functions was when during the first Cleveland administration Mrs. Hicks-Lord came down from New York to attend the diplomatic reception at the White House as the guest of the late ex-Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. William C. Whitney. On that occasion Mrs. Hicks-Lord, in addition to her breastplate of diamonds, had the white satin overdress of her gown literally fringed with diamonds which, suspended fringed from the edge of this drape, caused such a sensation, as she walked the length of the east room, as has never before nor since been known at any gathering in this city.

The second unique necklace possessed by Mme. Bakhmeteff is one which the wife of the Russian ambassador wears only at Easter week, and then appears about her throat for the entire period. This is a slender chain of finely

wrought virgin gold from which is suspended a collection of tiny golden eggs richly enameled in all the gorgeousness of the Russian enameleer's art. Many of these pendent eggs are heavily jeweled, and in accordance with the custom of the country, have each one been the gift of friends. This custom is general with every well born woman in Russia.

Conspicuous as the two largest formations of the main pendants are the enameled and jeweled eggs presented respectively by the czar and the Grand Duke Nicholas.

Miss Helen Cannon, daughter of Representative Joseph G. Cannon, who will return here in December to enter upon his Stag Party Menus.

Miss Cannon knows, however, that in Congress, is probably possessed of the largest and most complete list of menus for stag supper parties of any woman in Washington. The sandwiches which adorned the sideboard at all of her father's card parties when she lived in Washington a few years ago, were constructed under her own supervision, and many a member who was bidden as a guest, but kept late at the bachelorette and even missed his dinner, has had occasion to bless her. Miss Cannon is a "good fellow" among her father's friends, and a little story told of one of her regular Tuesdays at home illustrates the appreciation shown her gastronomic feats. A new member had tasted those sandwiches and one of "Uncle Joe's" card parties, and was somewhat enthusiastic when he told his wife about them. While making her call, in fact, as she greeted Miss Cannon, it is said she told her of her husband's boasts. Furthermore, she asked if Miss Cannon would not tell her how she made one particular species of sandwich, meaning of course, to exact the fulfillment of the favor at some future and more convenient time. Much to her surprise and delight, Miss Cannon said in a half whisper, "I'll tell you, but you must promise to tell me the secret of your own recipe." She then proceeded to tell her of a smoked herring, a shake of cayenne and a drop of onion juice. There you are," that was all, but those particular sandwiches made Miss Cannon famous along that line. Miss Cannon was particularly interested in the Congressional Club when in Washington, and her niece, Miss Virginia Le Seur, will be a belle among the many daughters of senators and representatives who hold forth at the club during the season. Miss Cannon is expected to select a house for the coming winter before returning to Danville, Ill., for the rest of the fall.

Probably no member of Congress ever left a pleasanter memory behind him than did Representative William C. Whitney.

Old Friends Returning. McKimley of Illinois, when voters played the prank of forgetting him for a term, and thus robbed Washington of his residence. He and his niece, Miss Mattis, who for years has been the head of his household, will be welcomed with open arms, and they are expected to arrive here several weeks before the opening of Congress to select a house for the winter. One of the generous things Represent-

ative McKimley did when in Washington, and which only a few people knew, was turning his house over at the end of each season to a less fortunate friend of his, a woman clerk in one of the departments. Not only was the use of the house given, but a servant to care for it, and either carriage and horses or automobile left for her comfort during the absence of his family. Miss Mattis was sorely missed in all local charities during her absence from Washington, but her check always found its way back to the most needy places.

Navy and Marine Corps Notes.

Dr. Alexander Magruder, U. S. N., has been joined at his country place, Boscon, near Frederick, Md., by Mrs. Magruder, who has spent the summer at Newport with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Gulick, who have had the cottage for the season of the late Capt. William Little of the navy.

Mrs. Percy Robottom, wife of Lieut. Robottom, U. S. N., will remain for some time longer at the Corson cottage, Newport, with their little daughter, as the lieutenant's present duty is that of commander of the U. S. torpedo boat D-2.

Mrs. George Wood Logan, wife of the late Capt. Logan, U. S. N., returned to Washington on the 15th instant from Lowell, Mass., where she has spent the summer with her father, ex-Gov. Allen of Porto Rico.

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Dorn, now visiting the former's sister, the Misses Dorn, in San Francisco, were the guests of honor last week at a handsome dinner party given at Mare Island by Mrs. Mary Turner.

Naval Constructor H. M. Gleason and wife, now stationed at Mare Island, have been joined there by Mrs. A. J. Gleason of this city, Constructor Gleason's widowed mother, who will make her future home with her son and daughter-in-law.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. W. H. Bronson, after spending the autumn season at Cooperstown, N. Y., will return to their home in this city at 1751 N street northwest.

Pay Inspector E. W. Bonaffon, U. S. N., and wife, after spending the summer at Harmony Villa, Jamestown, R. I., have returned to their quarters at the Washington navy yard. Mrs. Bonaffon's mother, Mrs. W. H. Claggett, who visited her at Jamestown, has returned to the city with her, and for the present is with her at the navy yard.

Pay Inspector John H. Merriam, U. S. N., and wife, have returned from Nahant, where they spent the summer, and have leased for the winter, 1326 I street northwest for the winter, in order that Mrs. Merriam could be near her mother, Mrs. Wallace.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Charles J. Badger will shortly return from Atlantic City to their home, 1823 Wyoming avenue.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. G. W. Baird have returned to their residence, 1595 Rhode Island avenue, from Atlantic City, where they spent the summer months.

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Miss Virginia Gardner of this city, in whose honor they gave a bridge tea last week.

Admiral and Mrs. Upshur will return October 1 from Lenox and reopen their apartment at the Parkwood for the season. Both the admiral and his wife have so benefited by the summer spent in the north that their friends assert they were never in better health or spirits, and neither of them ever handsomer than at the present time.

Shackleford-Leith.

Yesterday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church in Vienna a large company of their friends witnessed the marriage of Miss Kathleen Veturia Leith, daughter of the late Dr. Leith and Mrs. Richard Dulaney Leith of Vienna, and Mr. Henry Howard Shackleford of this city. Rev. James M. Nourse of Alexandria, Va., officiated and the bride was escorted by her brother, Mr. Clarence M. Leith. Mrs. Leith was matron of honor for her sister-in-law and little Phyllis Moore, a niece of the bridegroom, was flower girl.

girl. Mr. Howard Moore of Washington was best man.

The bride was gown in white crepe melleur and wore a white lace hat. Her bouquet was of roses and lilies of the valley. The matron of honor wore pink crepe and a pink chiffon hat and the flower girl was in a white frock with accessories of pink.

The ushers were Messrs. Daignerfeld Addison and Paul Shackleford. Mrs. Leith, the bride's mother, entertained afterward for the bridal party at her home before the departure of the newly married couple by automobile for this city and the Union station. The bride's going away gown was of hunter's green broadcloth with fur trimmings. She wore a black hat. The couple will live in Vienna on their return.

A Visitor From Peoria, Ill.

Miss Gertrude Turner of Peoria, Ill., was the recent guest of Mrs. L. J. Douglas, at her apartment at the Cumberland, while en route to Staunton, Va., where she attends school. She was extensively entertained during her visit, by her hostess and other friends.

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